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The books to be discussed represent contributions to the economic history of fascist Germany, Especially on the history of War economy of 1939 until 1945 represents and are representative for a whole series of others Publications.1 The ones with the highest circulation Me-

1 So Birkenfeld, Wolfgang, The synthetic fuel 1933 - 1945. A contribution to na tlonalsozlallstischen economic - and arms policy, Göttingen 1964 (see about this Elcb holtz, Lockpick, Old and "new" concepts, In: Yearbook for Economic History 1971, T 3, S. 234 ff.); Homze, Edward L., Foreign laboratory in Nazi Germany, Prlnce tone 1967; Piablmann, Hans, Foreign workers and Prisoners of war in the German war

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molren Albert Speers and the Irving's lurid titles are both lurid according to their source basis as also according to system, Shape and presentation with the works of Carroll and Janssen that emerged from dissertations or with the Source edition Birkenfelds not comparable. In the Course from only six years2 appeared, connects but she not only in the themetlk, but also in of their Objective a lot, and himself the diversity of the genres and the Conditions provide information about one in the Diversity a unity line of procedure of the civil historiography and -publicistics. Very remarkable is the Fact, that alone three the discussed Books, including the for the widest audience certain and accordingly opened memorial works, from one and the same Large publishing group (Ullstein).3 Along with "serious" publications are more extensive Fascist sources Provenance like that of Birkenfeld and Boelcke4 command them in their topic largely in books for years - market in the Germany and other capitalist countries.

All of these works deal with the activity leading representatives of the fascist state in the armaments and war economy, namely by Georg Thomaa (Birkenfeld, Carroll), Fritz Dead (Mllward, Carroll), Albert spear (Milward, Janssen, Spear) and He hard Milk (Irving). Anatomy can be perfectly illustrated by this the War economy of German imperialism and the Overall character of the fascist regime and state monopolstschen Demonstrating the ruling apparatus in Germany. Everyone here discussed author n put but your readers and oneself from in advance an effective one Understanding - cabinets through the subjectivistic-personalistic Treatment hers fabric. They write it carefully dead, Spear, Thomas and milk the initial German armament advantage and the temporary war economic and technical Achievements during the war as positive Services to and glorify - with Exception by Carroll, who takes a more distant point of view - the talent or even "genius", the managers were terrible and the "Brave" this one fascist minister and militaries, the official at the top of the economic machinery Hitler's Germany stood and from de - nenllll' the deceased around one war crimes trial came around. The objective limits of economic and war potential, however, the Failure and the failure of the people treated and the like Defeat of German imperialism who do it exclusively with subjective limitation, Mismanagement and wrong political decisions explained, particularly on the part Hitler, Göring, Bormanns, Sauckels, Udets,
the Nazi Gauleiter and another - nearly exclusively deceased or executed - representatives of the regime.

How Mllward is belsplels catfish about the great "abilities" of Todt and Speer, Irving talks about the "leader qualities" and the "patriotism" of Milch5, so be seems Birkenfeld General Thomas, the boss of the Armament organization of High command of the fascist Wehrmacht, "high professional qualifications", "sober Judgment" and "brilliant organizational Skill"6 - the latter of all things in direct connection with the Preparation of the Attack on the Soviet Union. Just about this one

economics 1939 - 1945, Darmstadt 1968; Germanl.ams Armor in second world war. Hitler's conferences with Albert Speer 1942 - 1945, ed. u. angel angel. v. Will A. Boelcke, Frankfurt (Main) 1969 (see see the review in Journal for historical science, No. 8/1970, S. 1082 f.).

2 Mllwards Book appeared in English 1965 (Title: The German Economy at Was. - Lon don/New York).

3 The Propy n Publisher belongs to Ullsteln Group and is under the same line as that Ullsteln Publishing House,

4 Germany armor in the second World War, a. a. O.

5 Milward, S. 55, 70; **Jrvlng,** S. 148, 171.

6 Introduction to Thomas, S. 21 f., S. 17.

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Point, Thomas' regarding task, "the overall organization for the exploitation of the to occupying Russian territories prepare [11] 7, Birkenfeld otherwise veils himself in eloquence Revel: "On Origin and Story this 'Economic Staff East' can't here To be received. [11] 8 Was it but Thomas, the East Economic Staff (camouflage name: Oldenburg) to highest satisfaction Göring and Keltel in spirit that one infamous guidelines of 2. May 1941, their quintessence was: "This will be done without hesitation -plus Mllllons people are starving, if from us that for us Necessary from the Land (the Soviet Union - D E.) taken out becomes. [11] 9 It was Thomas the the Eastern Economic Staff at the 4. June 1941 his first - four days - called a working meeting, in their course also a "Simulation game" took place. At the beginning of his He formulated his opening speech the two main imperialistic goals of the "Corporate Barbarossa" mlt more mortar Precision: "a) the destruction of Bolshevik systems, b) an early exploitation of the economic potential of Russia, especially on the nutritional and fuel area. [11] 1 O

Carroll, those than previous ones colleague by Gerhard L. Vineyard significant part of the Gui des the German one Loot files in the National Archives and the may know the source material even better than birch field, limited itself on a brief description of the "Economic Staff East" as most extensive Part of that "impressive and smooth-func-tloning apparatus", on the Thomas as Chief of Military Economics and Armaments Office OKW in everyone occupied countries Europe decreed. [11] She loses also no Word above character and Methods this "apparatus" and above Thomas' Responsibility for the committed by him Crime.

Needless to say, that also in Thomas' as justification document designed, many hundreds pages strengthen Activity report yourself [12] like that revealing Facts and Documents miss. The source value of the Thomas report, the birch field with a 15-page document appendix is printed, is not oor through Omission around Glossing over of individual essentials FactAn impaired, but through the whole conception, after he was drafted. In March 1943, directly after Diploma the battle at the Volga started and in Completed autumn 1944, became the report - in reality more of a **war** history treatise - under the sign of the approached Defeat of German

7 **Ebeooa,** S. 17.
8 Ebema, note. 67.
9 The Trial **against** the Major war criminal before the International Military Tribunal court (42 vols., Nilberg 1947 ff., hence: IMG), Vol. 31, S. 84, Doc. P.S - 2718, file note (Economic staff "Oldenburg") "about the result of the today's meeting with the secretaries of state above Barbarossa" v, 2, 5, 1941; s, a, Czollek, Roswitha/Eichboltz, Lockpick, On the economic policy concept of German imperialism at the About case on the Soviet Union, in: Yearbook for economic history 1968, T 1, p. 143 ff,
10 German central archive, Historical Dept. I, Potsdam (lm following: DZA Potsdam), OKW/Military Economics and Armaments Office, Film number, 1741, BI. 725773, Manuscript of the speech of Thomas v. 4. 6. 1941.
11 Carroll, S. 229 f. - This Passage of the book by Carroll is exceptional through no source proven. That tsh so much more unfortunate, as in it for the entrustment of Thomas by Göring with the Preparation of "plans for the economic administration of in the east - d. H. in Russia - to conquering territories" **(ibid.,** S. 229: "plan for economic administration of territories scheduled for conquest in the east - that is, "Russia"), a previously unknown, a very early date is mentioned (August 1940). Thomas himself (Thomas, S. 261) there as Date for such "Instructions" the November 1940. See. in addition Czollek [1] Roswitha/Eichboltz [1] Lockpick, a, a, O., S. 145 ff.
12 The from the author elected title the Work "Basics for one Story the defense and arms industry" was anyway fewer demanding as the one from Birkenfeldfllr the edition arbitrarily embarassed,

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see imperialism written. He is first as self-justification of the imperialist military and general staff Thomas and the led by him The Wehrmacht's central defense office was created after this office in the eyes of at least the stronger ones faction of ruling Class as unsuitable proven had and over the course of development of the state monopolistic regulatory mechanism The war economy had been almost completely dissolved. Some insightful ones, though very careful Comments about Conflicts of the Past, the hereby hung together, weighed at far not the awesome uniqueness the complacent Reporting by a militarist in the even offended ones vanity their place farxl. Before could do anything the author of course not under the pressure of the looming catastrophe German In perialism revoke, their rapid approach he up daily the General Staff map could follow. Its elaboration therefore also served to the army as Main instrument of the German imperialists in the crime of Preparation for war of aggression, at the aggression itself and in case of robbery and Plurxleration in Europe to wash clean. The could not yet on that **at the time** ways the Condemnation of those who are too compromising crimes happen, by blame others those involved, approximately Hitler or the SS, in the Shoveled shoes. Neat suppression of all incriminating facts had to do the same service to the author for the time being. He has this method truly with great care and consistency served.

Albert Speer, since 1942 Hitler's armaments minister and the German monopolies, counterfeit over 500 rare his Memoirs as honestly tried people-friendly, albeit by Hitler misguided artistic nature away, before he admits, that he the War, "from which we in the narrower Circles never in the doubt be were allowed, that he the World domination was valid",
through his "skills" and his "energy" - the following dating is enlightening - "by many Months extended". [13] Not by years, rather just by months: That
means, approximately since the landing the Anglo-American troops in the Normarxlie...

Speer therefore calculates the years from 1942 to 1944, in which his ministry is primarily responsible for the Fascist war economy Germany's was, not as a war extensionrxl or **even as** criminal at, let alone because the first Years of war in which he as General construction contractor for the main Armaments buildings the Air Force or the Aircraft companies and for the The army's rocket testing facility in Peenemünde was active.

Fundamental questions of War economy and the remain state-monopoly capitalism in the examined Publications far gonexl disregarded. The results itself from the Conception of the authors, which with the help of one more or less spectacular Presentation the state monopoly practices Preparation for war urxl warfare Of the german Imperialism in the form of its exposed former champions, where not ver - be silent, because apologetically transfigure urxl intrusively as positive Recognize achievements.
Not a single one of them The present work is dedicated to the character of the war and the regime, that led him or even the war aims and war crimes of the ruling **class!** the least attention. The Reader searches in vain after Terms like imperialism and Monopoly capital or at least after a dispute.with dem In these terms. Under these circumstances, meticulous **treatment** of individuals is understandably beneficial Development phases of parts the state monopoly apparatus in the war economy, How she before with everything Carroll and at Janssen to find is, not bad historical Truth to light, rather only a distorted, disfigured Picture from her.

Dle abstinence from every theoretical Question and Processing theoretical problems of the topic is common to all authors. Only Carroll attempts such a digression at a hint of criticism and others defibration of the by Franz L. New -

13 p. 524 f.

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man and recently by Arthur Schweitzer on the German one fascism and his Armaments industry applied theory the "Power blocks" and "(Domination) groups" within the "ruling Class", one direct descendant of structuralism and neoposltivism.14 Illre interesting Remarks to the bourgeois theories above the "total War" at the Beginning hers book show Frelllch none whatsoever insight In the Nature **classes** this appearance and remain Opening credits one largely at the authority structure oriented, also here still one-sided Analysis.

From the remaining Authors occurs only Milward with the claim on, theoretical to discuss problems. This happens, How to show will be, despite more ambitious Headings("The concept of Blitzkrieg"; "The effect of political pressure on the German **war** economy") to superficial and thoroughly apologetic catfish. All the wisdom of Irvtng - or much more milk, to whose bare memo recorder stand Irvtng humiliated has - he
draw up stand in the criticism of Hitler, that the World War three to four years too early began been be, the Wehrmacht and the air force in particular was therefore not sufficiently prepared been be. 1 5 Basically is the nothing other than one to about 30 years late Reissue of the Thomas' warnings a long time ago, exhausting war for which the "Depth of the Armament" of German imperialism not enough. The concerns of the former Bosses the Armament organization of OKW, the at the time from one Minority faction of the ruling Class, including a number of import-sensitive monopolies, were divided and the reactionary bourgeois are still arguing about their content of “realism” to this day historian and military argue, become however from Birch field unabashedly into a general one War opposition and finally converted into pure anti-fascist resistance.16

From Speer's memoirs Information about the true backgrounds and Backers from Fascism and to expect war, would be from the start illusionary. Speer already explained before the war crimes tribunal in Nuremberg on the occasion of Discussion of crimes of the Krupp Group, that he committed to feel, a injustice, the man dem Operations manager
make could, from this one to keep away". 1 7 Janssen finally, a PhD student Walther Hu batschs, confesses already in the Preliminary remark his book on that Goal, the history of the German war economy only "from Albert "Spear out" to write, "to discuss it from an economic point of view without any problems 11 .lB

Turn around we us anyway some scientific questions, the obviously cannot be completely excluded from any serious publication on the German war economy can, and check we, which Precipitation she ln found the books under discussion. It deals Above all, it's about the possibilities and resources of German imperialism industrial area - about that Problem of the legal economy potential and its use or. mobilization - and around the functioning of the central state monopolistic power apparatus, in particular of Reich Ministry for armament and Ammunition, in the German War economy. Frelly is to state, that
especially the latter Question from the Marxists historians not completely yet is researched; it will therefore at the Investigation except for newer ones already published Research results19 also have to rely on as yet unpublished material.

14 Carroll, S. 179 ff.; critical to this Theory, particularly to Schweitzer, see. Eichholtz, ' :öieti='I, Old and "new" conceptions, a. a. O., S. 231 ff.
15 Irvl , S. 124, S. 389 u. passim.
16 Introductions to Thomas, S. 1 ff.
17 IMG, fkl. 16, S. 598, interrogation Speers at the June 21, 1946.
18 Janssen, S. 9.
19 Before all anatomy of the war. New documents about the role of the German monopoly capital at the Preparation and implementation of the second world war, ed. and a gel. v. Dietrich Eichholtz u. Wolfgang Schumann, Berlin 1969; Bleyer, Wolfgang/Drechs

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The War, the the German Imperialism around the World domination led, had to in Worship its unreal, adventurous goal and of barbaric-reactionary Charak; ters of the regime, that led him - two factors that after the logic the Story were closely linked to each other - , with the end in defeat. In the History of the German armament uoo war economy kicked this Basics the entire Warfare at any time clearly out. Particularly obvious became here the discrepancy between the goals and real Possibilities the German Imperialists. Her economic Potential was there in no one Relationship to the military and political Tasks and War aims, dle she itself put, and that is indifferent, if the Away the Blitzkrieg strategy alsoonfo1co nomic area or the one years Arms race chosen became. Himself as the German _ Occupiers a good part plundered Europe and exploited, had to all their optimistic calculations so dominated total potential Incorrect calculations stay and itself, ever longer, the more more, as Loss accounts prove. There was neither one Chance, the Soviet Union to subjugate, still the subjected people Europe constantly in obedience _ to hold, itself her to acquire wealth ooo she until to exploit for blood. In your own Laoo was this regime moreover, as a result the Domination of capital and the laws of Profits, regardless fascist Terror and the state monopoly pressure, not in the Location, the existing economic potential to the full for his war to exploit, especially since it him for the worst imperialist thing led, the the life inter - food of the German people was diametrically opposed.

Goes man from these basic facts, their Understanding join the German imperialists of course locked, although some Representative the ruling Class them probably temporarily and completely fragmentary perhaps rather guessed than recognized, then one must consequently go to one Condemnation of the imperialist expansion, Warfare and world domination planning German imperialism reach. The civil Authors are unable to do this, you go from the Requirement from that the War, once began, military economy probably win or at least had to be completed with profit - if he thorough enough "in the Depth". would have been; if in the first war years, especially in 1941, that Armament speed increased quickly enough and not - like her claim - would have been slowed down; if from the beginning at one tight, central state monopolistic regulation of the entire war economy **recorded** would have. This three most important, in different Compilation and weighting The arguments keep coming up can ultimately be reduced to one denominator bring: The Blitzkrieg strategy was misguided; from the start he would have War "total" be guided must. So much for the end of the war happen, be it's "too late" been done.

Thomas saw, as he wrote his report, that he with his Skepticism towards the lightning - war strategy right keep had, lock but falsely from it, that his "Deep Armor" -

ler 1 Charles et al , Germany from 1939 to 1945, Berlin 1969; Eichholtz 1 Dietrich, History of German War economy. 1939 - 1945, Bd, 1: 1939 - 1941, Berlin 1969 (2. ed. 1971); Blever 1 Wolfgang, State and monopolies in total war. The state mo nopollstic Power apparatus and the "total Mobilization" in the first half of the year 1943, Berlin 1970; Wagner, Raimund, The war economic preparation Attack on the Soviet Union and the role of military economic organization of the High Command fascist Wehrmacht, in: On an anti-Soviet war course, Studies on the military preparation of German imperialism for the Aggression against the USSR (1933 - 1941), ed. v, one Collegium under leadership v. Hans Höhn, Berlin 1970; Piskol, Joachim, Conceptual Plans and measures of the German Monopoly bourgeois them for the crossing from the 'imperialist War for the imperialist Peace and to rescue of their Power bases from the fascist defeat (1943 - 1945) (hereinafter: Conceptual Plans), phil. Diss. Berlin 1972,

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Conception20 more realistic would have been. At least he confessed to, that "the deep armor (provision of replenishment, industrial preparations, Stockpiling with raw materials) at the weakened foreign exchange situation Empire is very neglected had to.[11]21 His plan is more thorough At the time, preparation for war saw an "exploitation of the Sources of help Nordic states" and des Balkans ago22, which undoubtedly also reflected wishful thinking. If Thomas was before the war and still during the Drafting his report constantly demand repeated, you have to deal with extensive ones supplies of raw materials and foods and with huge, already on the Requirements of War total oriented industrial capacities Mistake, must therefore be completely on one long War prepared be, before man military strike out could, so was the not min the illusory given the circumstances the capitalist peace economy, for example the international competition on the markets. It was illusory, particularly because this Conception from the the prerequisite was the future opponent and in the perialist competitors would do nothing and do nothing in the event of such an armament powerless to see. Finally - and not last - The "deep armor" required a drastic narrowing of the internal market for consumer goods, to this sharp tightening of the Tax
screw and other serious ones burdens for the working people already in the midst of peace, sworn So domestic political dangers for the regime up. Thomas was sure this his difficulties Conception - expression of general dilemma of German imperialism - more or fewer consciously; but he didn't let up, she to represent, although often with a contradictory, confused argument.

Some of this dilemma dawns on Milward. He undertakes it, the opportunities the economic blitzkrieg strategy, How he it calls, and the the "Deep armor" against each other to weigh up. It comes because of a lack of sufficient scientific premises to no reasonable one Result. He certified the Blitzkrieg concept in the War economy that they in the first war period "feasible" and was "highly flexible" that it "worked". and "amazing military Successes" enabled23, swings then but in the Row of their critic a. He provides inadequacies her firmly, stated

major "weaknesses" and "Error[1124], especially the "lack of Steering in the War Economy[1125]. After It was Milward Fritz Todt, the "Germany's transition to war host
shaft" finally ways brought.26 He provides Dead appreciative as the "weighty Figure" represent, the "a certain measure more comprehensive control above the war economy" was determined to practice.[27] Todt's accidental death was not his fault coincidentally with that End
of Blitzkrieg together. Anyway confesses he to, that also "Russia's ability the 'Five Months War' to survive", to this one End contributed,[28] But the Key to He clarification the Conversion "on full war production" lies for Milward "in "Hitler's Thought" into that he To his regret, he did not ask for "full insight".[29]

All discussions Milwards and Birkenfelds about this Indian blitzkrieg concept War economy runs on the thesis, that concept is a "Image of the "Hitler's strategic considerations" were the blitzkrieg economy, in contrast to "real ones war economy", the "Basic principles of the National Socialist economy" corresponds to cben[30]; her "Causes and inner Conditions" - so Birch field - "lay in the Last at

20 See this one Eichholtz conception, Lockpick, history of German war economy, a. a. O., p. 18,
21 Thomas, S. 145.
22 IMG, Vol. 36, S. 125, Doc. EC-028, Lecture by Thomas to gentlemen from the Foreign Office, 24. 5, 1939.
23 Milward, S. 52, 21, 30.
24 Ibid, S. 51, 48u. passim.
25 Ibid, S. 29.
26 Ibid, S. 55.
27 Ibid.
28 Ibid, S. 52.
29 Ibid, S. 60.
30 Ibid, S. 29, 45,

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Adolf Hitler himself 03 [1] . This superficial, unfounded Characteristic leads to the Berelts sklzzlerten Krltl.k from the point of view of the "total" imperialist military leadership.

The armament “conversions” or “conversions” of the The years 1940 and 1941 were in every respect a typical product of the Blltzkrieg ideology and - strategy. Sle corresponded according to content and succession of the changing ones military strategy talk Objectives the German - see imperialists, the train around train "through devastating blows right away beginning the Enemy soldgkelten"32 an opponent after another on their way to Eliminate world domination wanted to. The Blltzkrlegstrategle was up Breathing breaks between phases highest military **effort** and economic burden calculated. During one The stress phase was a conversion in the Arms industry aground more changed Armament programs, which **always one certain period of time** required without strong tensions in the structure of the capitalist **economy** and without losses in production also in the Armaments logistics not feasible.

Furthermore, that was **Intention** of the ruling circles of Hitler's Germany unmistakable, by means of **the Blltzkriegstrategle** yours Goals with that economic one Expenditure of force to achieve the economic potential available in each case and which is justifiable to them appearing degree of his Mobility solution corresponded. The negative effects of the armor How of the war at all on that own people should in controllable, albeit definitely beyond - stickable Limits are maintained. thus social shocks and Conflicts would be **prevented** . Eln certain state of the with the war related Misery should - at **the expense** the subjugated and plundered peoples of others Countries - on average not undercut become. So slowed down for example the decline in the Consumer goods production center 1940 for short Time, and in the following year they began Deliveries stolen Food from the USSR to Germany, the according to the plans of the Fascists should assume huge proportions. Every time the fascist did propaganda her Possibly, about illusions about return peaceful conditions to nourish and demagogic promises for this Tent to make; in a certain way Way corresponded she thus also wishful thinking the ruling Class, the burning ones at the undisturbed “peaceful” exploitation of the conquered in Europe Sources of Profit interested was.

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This one sketched war economy concept suffered be fiasco after raid on the Soviet Union, as the Blltzkrieg strategists at the resistance of Soviet people failed. In late autumn and the winter of 1941/42 was the most important caesura of the history of German war economy during the second world war. The transition to more comprehensive Mobilization the war economic resources and the with it linked Centralization **of** state monopoly regulatory power was neither Consequences of lonely ones Decisions Hitler's still that main work of Todt or Speer. They were the tips of the German financial capital, especially the Management of the Reichsgruppe Industry, the given the impregnableness Moscow and the beginning Soviet Counteroffensive this initiated development. As executive branch served them the Reich Ministry for Armament and ammunition and supported the minister - only dead, then spear - ln decisive Wetse. She inaugurated the new Course of ministry, by she in the December within a very short time deadline a rationalization concept for the entire armaments solution

31 Introduction to Thomas, S. 32.

32 "Work report of the general representative of the Prime Minister General Ueldmar Schall Goering for Special questions of the chemical production Dr. C Herb before the gene ralrat" v. 20/21 4. 1939, printed in Eichholtz ı Lockpick, To share of IG Far ben Group at the Preparation of the second world war, in: Yearbook for Economic history 1969, T 2, p. 99 f.

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strie worked out, the Early February 1942 on a multi-day trip Advice to the was examined and confirmed by **the main committees of the ministry.** They implemented this concept in the following weeks and months armaments economic basis, and they also asked for the ministerial executive apparatus, particularly for the Committees and Rings, the personal Management inventory.

undoubtedly it was not so, that this new comprehensive, centralized state monopoly regulatory system and the extensive Subordination of the Production below the requirements - rations of the War unrestricted and in each case the interests of the monopoly rulers corresponded. They preferred Fortunately, the quick successes and lower risks are reinforced of the Blitzkrieg. Considering the critical held position she however, drastic measures considered urgent in the overall imperialist interest and reacted without delay. The required one They concentrated central regulatory power largely in their own pockets.

All bourgeois authors obscure and conceal this fact. As far as the he - events from December 1941 until February described in 1942, appears as that **"the most** important figure in this change" Fritz Todt33, in second Line Tbomas34. The un
heard activity of the arms monopolies, especially when the Ministerial decree of 22. December 3 5 , at the subsequent expansion of the system of so-called - called Self-government the Industry, the is called the immediate Regulatory authority
ten the monopoly ruler, and at the Development the rationalization concept, remains completely in the dark.

Significant is it in particular, that the important advice on 13. February trivialized in 1942 or theirs character after adulterated becomes, on the the only valid Decision about the military command center demanded by all sides and thus about the whole Reorganization of the Armor fell. On this day, the top representatives of the millenarians came together and civilian armaments departments Milchb's management together, around on Göring's behalf "the question of Overall planning (of armaments - D E.) entering again to discuss". 36 It wasn't that first meeting about **this one** now urgent acute issue; but to the first Once there was Albert Speer, the four days previously appointed new Reich ministers for armament and ammunition, in addition loaded, ooo for the first time took also Wilhelm Zangen, head of the Reichsgruppe Ioustry, Albert Birder and Philipp Keßler, Chairman of the Armaments Advisory Board of the Minister of Ammunition, tel1. Tongs and Kessler had as Head of the main committee self-directing Functions in the apparatus of the Ministry of Ammunition; birder, Chairman of the supervisory board United steel mills, was member of "Industrial Council of the Reich Marshal for the production of air force equipment", but he appeared on this extremely important meeting before anything but the "Grey "Eminence" of Ministry of Ammunition, which he since its inception. The appearance of the The three most influential monopoly lords **imaginable** could only have the clear meaning have, the position of Ministry of Ammunition with regard to the expected decisions to strengthen.

birder, the Senior of the German monopoly capital, seized after opening the Advice is typically referred to as first that Word. His "extraordinarily sensible explanations" culminated in "that it at the Tent be, clear Conditions to create. One must ...
everything decide". 37 He could itself the tactical fineness afford, the Ask to leave open, whom he for the suitable Man hlelt.

33 Milward, S. 61. 34 . S. 230 f.
35 DZA Potsdam, OKW/military economics and Armament Office, Movie No. 2312, Sheet 726322 ff., Decree of Reich Minister for Armaments and ammunition about the "Self-responsibility of the Armaments industry" v. 12/22 1941.
36 Ebeooa, BI. 726919, "Protocol on the essentials points of Inspector meeting on the 13th 2. 1942". 37 p. 216.

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In fact, the matter became already on this one meeting decided in favor of Speer: "Field Marshal Milch has today with the Minister of Ammunition, the Air Force and the OKW together - of the Industry were the general directors of pliers and Vögler used send - the Decision caught, this planning (the entire armor - D E.) under spear together to summarize. Today This question will be discussed in the afternoon Leader come to the lecture. 1138 Everything Appearance after had Reich Minister of Economics Wireless, the Representative the Wehrmacht and in particular Goering in the view on the interests of his Luftwaffe armament program saw their candidate in milk. 39 But Speer could yourself easily with a note on the - previously with Hitler agreed - "Order of leader" push through, the at had happened to him.

In his Speer, on the other hand, exaggerates his memoirs, from that Irving the whole passage takes over, the subsequent afternoon meeting of same Circle of people with Hitler for drama Climax on and provides it like this, as have Hitler first on this meeting through being Word of power decided in Spee-r's favor. 40 The decisive one role of monopoly rulers present will thereby that Irving and spear inventive of one "huge Be speaking many leading industrialist" speak [41], trivialized and to that one in more interested Extras devalued. Nor become Carroll and Janssen the Meaning of the Advice from 13. February fair. Janssen only mentions the qj.e presence of Vögler and Zangen (that of Keßler is mentioned in ignored in all publications examined42), but leaves the fact without any evaluation in the superficial reproduction of the itinerary Speers go under. 43

On the next meeting the Bosses the supreme Armament departments of the fascist Germany from the 18. February let the Minister of Ammunition his Claim to leadership about the "entire self-governing organization the Business:" in written form fix and quit at the same time the significant extension this organization at. The Armament departments of the Wehrmacht obliged itself, her - the is called before everything the committees and wrestling of Reich Ministry for Armament and ammunition - the distribution the Armament contracts and the actual Line the Armament production to left. -14 Also on this session had spear Pliers at his Page.

On this Way led Pliers and Birder the new minister into his office a and monitored his first Steps, How she it already at his predecessor did had. [45] "Only the se from the civil History has always been denied or secretive Fact explained it, that the Minister of Ammunition, how nice from his predecessor began to undermine the state monopoly power mechanism Ministry and his base, the 'Self-management' the arms monopolies, expand so quickly and successfully and to by far the strongest, dominant command center of the War economy could do. [11] 46

38 DZA Potsdam, OKW;Wehrwirtschaft:s- and Armament Office, Movie No. 2312, Bl. 726919.

39 To assume after Janssen, S. 39; Spear, S. 215 ff.; Irving, S. 213. - Milward (p. 71), on the other hand, denies such intentions on Göring's part.

40s . 215 ff.; **Irving, S.** 213 f.

41 Irving, S. 213; s. a. S. 215.

42 she is evidenced by one Excerpt from the card index of Technical Office of the Reich Ministry for Armaments and War Production (Federal Archives Koblenz, R 3/1989, "Key words for the Armament Index", in the prison camp Dustbin compiled v, Karl ato sour, Bl. 13, note v. 13, 2. 19-12). Irving quotes the note only in a note (p. 436 note. 39).

43 Janssen, S. 39,

44 anatomy of war, a. a. O., S. 381 ff,

45 Eichholtz,[1] Lockpick, Story the German war economy, **S.** 121 ff,

46 The same, The history of "General Plenipotentiary for the work effort", in: Yearbook for History, Bd, 9/1973, p. 365.

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m.

As Reich Minister for Armaments and ammunition and Head of "Headquarters Planning" was spear together with milk, Himmler and Sauckel, its appointment as "General Plenipotentiary for work use" (GBA). literally since the day he came to power, for the forced abduction and inhumane exploitation from million and but Millions of foreign ones Citizens responsible. He forced the slave labor of prisoners of war and Concentration camp prisoners in the Defense industry. What these crimes are doing regards, for their sake spear in Nuremberg sentenced became, behaves like that he itself
in his Book noticeably silent. He tried cleverly, But passing it on to Sauckel doesn't leave them alone Opportunity pass by, him later for it to critisize, that he the promised number from forced laborers did not bring 47

Janssen cannot deny "that spear as Main contingent holder . . . Sauckel was forced to take labor measures, the the occupied countries into opposition drifted to Germany", and that he Hitler himself caused, Sauckel a Carte blanche for Coercive measures everyone Art against the Citizens the occupied areas to exhibit. 48 Er builds but - like all others Authors - to Speers discharge artfully the old **Legend** from that Sauckel the Speer's adversary and his subordination under that Ministry of Armaments or under the Headquarters Planning never succeeded. Sauckels "Incompetence" and [11] Cruelty [1] t49, its "independence" and [11] self-reliance [11] 50 vis-à-vis these institutions should one for the German one imperialism effective Forced labor policy and a smooth, effective one have made cooperation impossible, is kept secret, that Sauckel as exponent and tool of a shameful system, that dem purpose served, the sources of life Europe to German imperialism to subdue and the German one Serving the war economy close. At the were at the top of this system the state monopoly group about that Reich Ministry for Armament and Ammunition (since September 1943 "Reich Ministry for Armaments and War Production") and the Relchs group Industry. It worked not last also with HiUe des General representative for the work effort. The attempts opposites within this system, between Speer and Sauckel or similarly between Speer and Himmler to construct or actual conflict to overestimate, the first a lot later, under pressure the crisis of German Imperialism after Stalingrad, a certain one gained importance, disguise his true character.

The establishment of the GBA was already in first line Speer's work and the armaments monopolies supporting it. 51 Even before Hitler and Göring's decrees on the vocation Sauk kels published became, gave spear in the first number made a statement in his ministerial newspaper on Sauckel's appointment, which the character an additional implementing order for the GBA had: "At the request of the Reich Minister for armament and Ammunition was the Reich governor and Gauleiter Fritz Sauckel within the Four-year plan for the 'General Plenipotentiary for the work effort' appointed. There are him for this Comprehensive activity Vollma hten and authority to issue instructions Disposal. He has in particular received the order, the Defense industry ones Workforce to supply, the
a) are necessary as Replacement for the over the course of next Months lost through confiscation Forces and b) about it out at the priority programs the second Shift to be fully occupied. [11] 52

47 Speer, S. 234, 276 f. 48 Janssen, S. 80, 82 ff. 49 Carroll, S. 241; s. a. Note 14.
50 Janssen, S. 62 f.; Carroll, S. 132, 244; **Mllward,** S. 75 f., 87 f.; also S. 224 u. passim.
51 See Eichholtz, Lockpick, The history of the "General Plenipotentiary for work use", op. cit., p. 363 ff.; hereafter also this The following.
52 DZA Potsdam, Reich Ministry for Armaments and war production, Film no. 4567, "News from the Reich Minister for armament and Ammunition", No. 1, v. 31, 3. 1942.

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The world secret Subordination of the GBA under that Ministry of Ammunition and the arms monopolies his dependence of their labor requirements arose from the outset nature of thing and always remained that basis for their mutual relationships. But they were also explicit formulated and by Hitler sanctioned.
Sauckel remembered this very clearly years later: ". . . Speer once told me in the presence of leader, that that's what I'm there for for spear to work, and that I mainly his husband. [11] 53

First Eme In 1943 there were various replacements Variants of fascist forced labor polls on around took approximately a half Year long more violent character at. In the heavy Crisis after Stalingrad and Kursk saw each other the German arms monopolies and spear as her most important representative in the state monopoly mechanism of War economy forced to try the illustrative capacities of the occupy Läooer, especially in the consumer goods industry encompass to exploit production shifts and on these catfish workers, above all To extract skilled workers from the German consumer goods model for armaments. At the same time they demanded - the same arms monopolies supply foreign supplies forced laborers, at whose constant tributary they had already gotten used to and constantly increased these demands. The current of such Workforce but was at the dry up, in the east as a result of victorious Forward
gens the Redden Army, in the west as a result of Through this advance encouraged OOO ver multiples resistance the subjugated people against the Forced recruitment. Eswardle is rapidly deepening IO.runs between the increasing demand of the defense companies, **the** Wehrmacht and the other "needers". forced laborers and the shrinking ones Possible chains the forced recruitment, the the Nutrient books for increasing internal Fight _ around the Forced laborers and violent clashes over them Methcxlen of their "Procurement" and delivered treatment.

To the main subject more persistent Conflicts between departments GBA and those of Ministry of Armaments were from autumn 1943 to for the summer of the following year, the so-called blocking operations cxler protection operations (S-Betrlebe) in France and some other countries. The **creation** such companies, their workforce in front of the Deportation after Germany should be split, was a measure the the German Imperia list itself with the resistance against the Deportations justified, in the summer of 1943, how to do it in the Central planning formulated, "in harmony with the military development in Russia and the from it arising feelings for the development of the War among the Western peoples grew rapidly in [11 54.] Not just spear, but also that GBA and
especially the corporate owners and bosses the defense industry made an effort at this time about that problem of "Relocation" more industrial Production in large scale after France and advised together about it. In one Meeting at the 30. July, on the Spear, Sauckel and thirteen Director from main committees of the Reich Ministry for Armament and ammunition - all leading ones Group representative - participated, revealed that Course the Consultations about these and others central Questions of fascist labor policy "one extensive accordance between opinions of the GBA and the organizations of the Minister of Ammunition".55 It was still true on September 16, 1943
Sauckel expressly dem principle the S- establishments to. [56]

53 IMG, Vol. 3, S. 543, Doc. PS-3721, interrogation Sauckels v. 22. 9. 1945.
54 DZA Potsdam, Case XI, No. 413, BI. 187, Doc. R-124, stenographer Protocol of 54. meeting of the Headquarters Planning on the 1st 3. 1944.
55 Bleyer, Wolfgang/Drobisch, IQ.off, Documents to exploitation foreign Forced laborers through the German Monopoly capital in the second World War, in: bulletin of working group "Second World War", H. 3/1970, S. 70, File note v. Heinrich K"l.ippen **bender** (Carl Zeiss Jena) v. 30. 7. 1943.
56 Janssen, S. 126.

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As but the Politics de8 GBA In all occupied countries obvious failed, ran he storm against dle Facility the lockdown, which he for be Fiasco responsible do te. Hitler decided itself however in the given Cases always for Speers Line. 57 In the summer of 1944 the development of the mllitary and events pollute the dispute. He concluded with that complete Subjugation of the GBA falls under the regulatory authority of the Minister of Armaments.

The Forced abduction foreigner Workforce to Germany and theirs - at least at least indirect - compulsory obligation, in your own Land for the German one to work imperialism, were only two variants more fascist forced labor policy, the itself according to the wish of their Author possible add to should. Actually continued the practice of protection companies in the Reasons the Forced deportations and the constant threat against the population of occupied Countries, which was associated with it, ahead and based on them. Only under this one They threatened workers, like spear it on the 57. meeting of the Zen tralen Plamng at the 18. May 1944 formulated, "automatically in the Blocked operations into it". 58

How but this variants each other added and each other based, so collided them at the same time with Need. Both had finally given the depths crisis the fascists Domination above the occupied Europe none whatsoever Outlook on sustainable Success.

In the disputes over these variants between the Ministry of Armaments and the Central planning on the one hand and the GBA on the other, it went not about the Alternative one in contrast to Policy of the GBA peaceful and human, the interest of French policies that serve the people, but only about the direction, which are now in the Forced labor policy and with that in general in the wanted to tactically pursue collaboration politics. The attempts Speer on this occasion as clever-moderate - therefore more successful - Representative of the regime to spend, the generally "for the dismantling of the Deportations 1159 and even for a "equal" France "in one common producing Europe 11 60 occurred be, fail on the facts.

Made of transparent Found also presents Irving the claim on, "that Sauckels Activity abroad more damage than benefit". 61 Er gives milk, the boss of the air force armament, alongside Speer, a leading member of the central planning, as opponents of deportations, explains this opposition however less with humanitarian as for reasons of expediency; French industry has contributed greatly to this German air force produced and be was inhibited by Sauckel's actions, while one in Germany have "feed the foreigners, have to clothe and house them and deal with their mutinies. 62

Now, of course, Irvlng cannot avoid it to take note, that milk in Years In 1947 precisely because of him authoritative complicity in that forced labor crimes German imperialism from an American military court to life imprisonment sentenced became. 63 Er slits however, also the "direct and sole Responsibility of Gauleiter Sauckel 11 64 before and does the Outermost, to relieve milk: The legacy burdens the aircraft manufacturers and corporate bosses Messerschmitt and Heinkel, the Milch did the same thing after the end of the war and probably did not behave "collegially" enough towards him, the compromised Nazi marshal, even after his release from prison. **This** information is of considerable interest. "Through personal Relationships to Himmler and aircraft gifts to Maurer (SS-Cbersturmba.nnführer, head of office in the SS Economic Administration Main Office - D E.) procured yourself professor Heinkel 40 000 Ge-

57 **Ibid,** S. 127 ff.
58 Currently at Janssen, S. 132.
59 Janssen, S. 127.
60 Spear, S. 323.
61 **Irving,** S. 237; s. **a.** S. 247.
62 **Ibid,** S. 237.
63 milk became already 1954 again released.
64 **Irving,** S. 387.

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"fange" from the concentration camps. 65 Messerschmitt negotiated at the beginning of 1943 "during Mllch's absence" mlt Maurer and with a slider, the one for the connection to the SS bleached to size Head of office lm Reich Ministry for armament and ammunition, and demanded 3 000 prisoners from the Dachau concentration camp. 66 Later he let the prisoners regularly directly _ from the concentration camp - Commarxiants to assign. 6 7

IV.

Dle larger half of book from Janssen harxielt from the last period of war. Also spear dedicated the Tent from Beginning 1944 until for the End of war a one-third his Memoirs and describes particularly detailed his Battle around the "Conservation the Substance", that is around the conservation the Power bases of the German imperialism for the Time after War. Janssen busy stand in more detail with Climax and decline the War armor ln this one Time, with the race between armor and Defeat, the - so we add added - the War lost, still Hundreds of thousands Health and Life cost and the German Business in the complete catastrophe fell. spear again conceals his and his Ministry authoritative role at dem Rampage the German Listen to Imperia. He flaunts not wle at that time with the Pay his "Successes". The Education of armor staff on the 1st August 1944 firxiet neither mention as the in the November 1944
enforced by Hitler Appointment of Vögler as “General Representative of Reich Minister for Armor and War production for that Rhine- urxi Ruhr area", at the same time as head of the Ruhr staff (at 6. December). 68 For this he warms Legends and supreme doubtful Hi storks on How dle Murderous intent Hlmmlers Beginning 1944 him compared to 69 and his own an assassination plan against Hitler after encouragement from his "paternal Advisor" Friedrich Lilschen (Siemens Group) from the beginning February 194570 and always talks in no uncertain terms its ambivalent, downright pathological relationship to Hitler out of here.

Plskol71 has proven, that the to End of war continued German armament efforts monopolies in so-called total war is not so contradictory stood to your preparations on the Post-war period and to the attempts itself with the Western powers against dle USSR to arrange, as much more with it corresponded and them - on the Away above mllitary Partial successes - one stronger Basis for negotiation to back up should. The increase or at least maintenance the war production and the conservation one intact power apparatus over that already foreseeable After the end of the war there were in the strategic imaginations the monopoly power in tight Connection each other :The cheaper and more stable dle military positions, that could be held, the more successful they would be negotiations with the Western powers about ceasefire and be peace, and the safer it could be difficult Transition from imperialist war to the imperialist "Peace order" mastered become. In each case held she it for

65 Eberxia, S. 248.
66 Ibid, S. 269, - The Heavy sigh in the annotation (ibid., S. 446 f. Note 5) can be Author not deny: "The Hardening partner were Prof. Messerschmitt and director Hentzen, State Councilor Dr. Slider from the RmfBuM and SS-0:>ersturmbannfuehrer Bricklayer from the SS office Work use. As only one from them (? ! - D E.) became milk because of of deployment from CONCENTRATION CAMP- and foreign workers in the Aviation industry imprisoned. ll
67 Ibid, S. 303.
68 Please refer Piskol l Joachim, Conceptual Plans, a. a. O., S. 340 f.
69 . S. 342 f.
70 Ibid, S. 436 ff; s, a. S. 487,
71 Piskol l Joachim, Conceptual Plans, a. a. O., passim.

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more necessary because ever, the central Power mechanism of Ministry of Armaments72 to strengthen,

Both in Speers memoirs as also in Janssens book are, What the preparations of the German monopoly capital End of war and Post-war concerns, some insistent supporting documents for the fact to find that the Ministry of Armaments as Executive branch of the large monopolies acted and the Minister as more committed Advocates of their distinct accents Interests occurred. Of course it will reader in both Publications also at the semester topic of bigger tell of the truth withheld. So the secret Strasbourg conference remains from the August 10th 1944 unmentioned, the undoubtedly under authoritative confusion of the Ministry of Armaments came into being and on the the attempt was made, ever no Preparations to coordinate. 73 The same meets on the entire Complex the long timely "Post-war planning" German financial capital, for example too on the Task of "Working Group for Foreign Trade".7! But that, the to read understands, both books give Despite all the obfuscation, there are some remarkable insights above the actual balance of power and Play of forces in the state monopoly Power mechanics - mus des fascist Germany.

Je closer that The end of the war was approaching, the more the third felt the German Monopoly capital the need, reliable about it to guard, that the sinking fascist regime not in a self-destructive way Frenzy own production apparatus and with it the material basis of existence imperialist Domination destroyed. Since then spring and summer of 1944 the Minister of Armaments the terrain for that prepared, that he against the Wehrmacht and fascist party decisive Influence on preservation or destruction from Production facilities also in from the Opponent directly threatened areas outside How before everything within the German Boundaries kept. A extremely important clue for Speer's memoirs provide this dating, in those from a visit Walter _ Rohlands on 20, April 1944 at the sickbed of Minister is reported the themselves in spring 1944 for lurze Time with intentions to resign wore. The specification of for spear unchangeable date - Hitler's Birthday -, the literal Quote the Statements Rohland's, his "closest employee", and the context witness from the incisive meaning of event for Speer's own political behavior, Rohland was in the year 1944 Chairman of the Board of the group the United Steel mills and first confidant Vöglers; since 1940 had he in the ammunition or. Ministry of Armaments and also outside of Ministry numerous central, highly influential hold state monopoly functions. He came in one Matter, the the German Monopolies cannot be postponed important appeared. "Because the Industry had meanwhile from mean Intentions to withdraw heard, and Was raw land came, to dissuade me: 'You may the industry, to you until today followed , not hand over to those the after Them come. Like her look, you can imagine ! For our further action is before everything crucial: how can for the time after one lost War the necessary industrial Sub st ate.g er Ha 1t en wer den. In addition must She on yours Post remain!' After my memory was it the first time, ,that the spook the 'Burnt Earth' before me appeared , as Raw land then from the Danger spoke, that from one despair Lead tip wanton Destructions ordered become could. 1175

72 Through Hitler decree from the 2. 9. received in 1943 the Reich Ministry for Armament and ammunition the new Designation "Reich Ministry for armor and war production".
73 Please refer Piskol, Joachim, Conceptual Plans, a, a, 0,, S. 283 ff,
74 See Piskol, Joachim, For the development of the post-war foreign policy concept the German one Monopoly bourgeoisie 1943 to 1945, in: Yearbook-h for Economic history 1969, T 2, p. 338; the same, conceptual plans, a, a. 0,, S. 389 ff.
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Speer's foresighted introduction to his new priority Task, whose the minister from now on was always in mind76, happened directly under dem Impression the almost complete liberation of the Ukraine by the Soviet Army - many weeks before the second front was opened in Western Europe and Months before fascist Führeractually to destruction of the own production bases. Such intentions of destruction, with whom themselves those fascist Leader and military, the she be-
customers, in contrast to the interests of financial capital, were for the first time in autumn 1944 announced. 77 The Minister of Armaments sat from this Time at his Powerap systematically ready for this, to thwart these intentions and thus provided the German monopolies with truly invaluable services Services. Since beginning of He neglected 1945 all other official business and devoted himself almost exclusively to the activity the the monopolies now as his most important View function. He used all his powers and his whole Authority, around the West German corporations their production **apparatus** to receive and towards them those forces in the Wehrmacht and The party apparatus has its back to strengthen, which also faces the enemy in the West just wild country left wanted to.

At the 19. March In 1945 Hitler signed the so-called Nero command, the under Bypassing the organs of the Ministry of Armaments the Wehrmacht and Party departments commissioned: "All military, traffic, News-, Ioustrie and supply systems as well Material values Within the imperial territory, which is the Enemy for the Continuation of his Fight somehow immediately or in the foreseeable future Time usable can make, are to destroy. [11] 78 The ser Order survived but only ten days, until Hitler through the massive intervention of the leaders forces of German monopoly capital and others, wider circles of Mr - sighted Class - as her speaker acted the Minister of Armaments - de facto to complete withdrawal of the decree was forced. Speer's travel diary from these days and weeks shows the fascist minister as loyal and indispensable assistant and informant of the monopoly capital 79:

center March:	Advice with the "Employees out of the Industry'.' in Bernau
15. - March 18, 1945	meetings in West Germany with the Gauleiters the fascist party
	Handing over a memorandum to Hitler regarding "Conservation of Sub punch"
18. 3. 1945	"Nero Command" Hitler's
19. 3. 1945	meetings with GFM boiler ring, GFM model, with Hermann Röchling and in the Ruhrstab
19. - 20. 3. 1945	meetings in Berlin with Hans Malzacher and others Industrial
March 21, 1945	meetings with representatives leading Monopolies (Paul Pleiger, Otto Steinbrinck, Martin Sogemeier) and with generals (Guderian,
22. 3. 1945	v. Trotha, Thomas etc.)

76 EbeJXla, S. 368.
77 **EbeJXla,** S. 411 ff,; Janssen, S. 304 ff.
78 !MQ, Vol. 41, S. 430, Doc. spear-25, Hitler decree v. 19. 3. 1945.
79 compiled after IMG, Vol. 41, S. 420 ff., 433 ff., 485 ff., 520 ff., Doc. spear- 23, spear-28, spear-29, spear-42, Spear-43 **and** Spear-47; Janssen, S. 309 ff.; Speer, S•. 442 ff. - In everyone listed meetings went it around the Securing the material substance of the Monopoly rule.

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25. - March 27, 1945	meetings in West Germany with raw land, Röchling, chalice, with birder, Model and boiler ring, with the Gauleiters, with Himmler, high SS leaders etc.
28. - March 29, 1945	Conflict between Speer and Hitler over the "Nerobe miss" from 19. 3. 1945
29. 3. 1945 30. 3. 1945	Hitler gives at Restoration the curtailed by the “Nero Order”. Speers and de facto repeal made it full of Order through a new “Fuhrer Decree” and Speer's implementing regulations for this (added on April 4, 1945)
	departure after West Germany, Meeting with raw land
March 30, 1945	Enforcement of the Decree of 30. 3. 1945 through Speer's personal efforts (tour trip), through supplementary decrees, etc.
1. April week 5. (6.) 4.1945	Radio message to Rohland with the Authorization for R. , Agreement with him Commander-in-Chief West (model) to Prevention of the blowing up the "to maintain the Industry necessary - digen" bridges hold true

The facts prove it those historical legend lies, after spear against The entire fascist hierarchy offered Hitler defiance and heroic resistance accomplished has. Speer himself does this Legend feed, not least through the popular description of him Conflicts with Hitler. The actual scope of "Nero Command" will be in the bourgeois literature is consistently overrated; the more or less open Resistance wider circles of ruling Class including many Gauleiters and other fascist satraps as well as the "chaotic command ratios [11] 80, who now ruled would have an effect on everyone Case largely paralyzed. Secretive will, however, that in opposite East Germany the Soviet Army and against our own - a people the Act until lastly the Practice of the burned earth was practiced, So that the To anti-fascists here after End of war a extraordinary heavy inherited.

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